

and thirteen, and ending the first Monday in April, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen: *Provided*, that if a vacancy shall occur in said office from any cause, the said vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the justices of the peace for said county.

Proviso: vacancy filled by justices of county.

SEC. 6. That said auditor shall hold office under the control and direction of the board of commissioners of said county; and he shall open and keep an office, to be selected and furnished by the said board of commissioners, in the courthouse of said county, in which shall be securely kept the records of his office.

Control and direction of county commissioners. Office.

SEC. 7. That the board of commissioners for the said county of Henderson may, whenever they deem it necessary, provide for clerical assistance for said auditor and fix the pay for same. It shall be their duty to provide one assistant in compiling county tax list.

Clerical assistance.

SEC. 8. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 9. That this act shall be in full force from and after the first Monday in June, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

When act effective.

Ratified this the 4th day of February, A. D. 1913.

CHAPTER 27.

AN ACT TO VALIDATE THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN JUSTICES OF THE PEACE IN ALLEGHANY COUNTY.

Whereas, at the general election held for the county of Alleghany on Tuesday after the first Monday in November, one thousand nine hundred and twelve, the following persons were voted for and declared elected, and have attempted to qualify and act as justices of the peace for said county, to wit: For Gap Civil Township, H. M. Crouse, J. C. Roup, E. C. Andrews, J. P. Andrews, D. C. Reeves; and whereas doubts exist as to the legality of such election on account of the fact that the persons voted for and declared elected were more than said township was authorized by law to elect: therefore,

Preamble: doubts of election.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the election so held for the election of the justices aforesaid is hereby declared valid in every respect, and all the official acts of said justices are hereby legalized and made as effectual as if said election had been regular in all respects.

Election declared valid and effectual.

SEC. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of February, A. D. 1913.